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May 12, 2008

The Honorable Timothy S. Bee  
President  
Arizona State Senate  
1700 West Washington  
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Re: Senate Bill 1097; GITA; State Treasurer's Office Exemption

Dear President Bee:

Today I vetoed Senate Bill 1097, the bill that proposed to limit the jurisdiction of the newly created Statewide Information Security and Privacy Office ("SISPO") as it relates to the State Treasurer's Office's banking and investment systems.

SISPO was created during the 2007 legislative session to ensure the safety and privacy of the state's information technology systems. Among other things, SISPO has the statutory power to temporarily suspend the operation of a government information infrastructure to stop the spread of an information security breach.

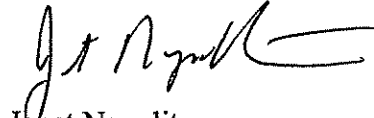
Senate Bill 1097 would prohibit SISPO and its parent organization, the Government Information Technology Agency, from directly accessing the State Treasurer's Office's banking or investment systems and prohibit SISPO from suspending the operation of those banking and investment systems under any circumstances. The Treasurer's Office argues that such restrictions are necessary because of the sensitivity of its financial information and the potential financial impact on the state if the Treasurer's Office is unable to electronically effect its market trades and money management efforts.

This argument goes too far. Every state agency maintains sensitive, confidential information (including private citizen data) and could be negatively affected by a suspension of its information technology systems. During the rulemaking process contemplated in Senate Bill 1097, these potential losses can be weighed against the need to protect all of our state-wide information technology systems against cyber attacks. It is premature and bad precedent to legislatively carve away at SISPO's jurisdiction before it has begun this important work.

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For these and other reasons, I have vetoed Senate Bill 1097. I encourage the State Treasurer's Office to participate in the SISPO rulemaking process and present its concerns in that forum.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Janet Napolitano", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Janet Napolitano  
Governor

JN:LK

cc: The Honorable Jim Weiers  
The Honorable Robert Burns

ON RECONSIDERATION

Passed the House April 21, 20 08,

by the following vote: 31 Ayes,

27 Nays, 2 Not Voting



Speaker of the House

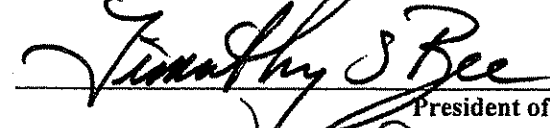


Chief Clerk of the House

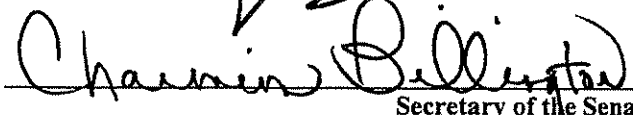
Passed the Senate March 18, 20 08,

by the following vote: 19 Ayes,

10 Nays, 1 Not Voting



President of the Senate



Secretary of the Senate

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR

This Bill was received by the Governor this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_,

at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary to the Governor

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of

\_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_,

at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Governor of Arizona

S.B. 1097

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

This Bill was received by the Secretary of State

this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_,

at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary of State

SENATE CONCURS IN HOUSE  
AMENDMENTS AND FINAL PASSAGE

Passed the Senate May 7, 20 08

by the following vote: 17 Ayes,

11 Nays, 2 Not Voting

Timothy S. Bee  
President of the Senate

Chaimin Billington  
Secretary of the Senate

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR

This Bill received by the Governor this

7th day of May, 2008

at 11:52 o'clock a. M.

Wendee Ibarra  
Secretary to the Governor

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of

at VETO o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Governor of Arizona

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

This Bill received by the Secretary of State

this 12 day of May, 20 08

at 4:57 o'clock p. M.

Janice K. Brewer  
Secretary of State

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